

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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MUSEUM ON DECOMMISSIONED VIKRANT
Sule Supriya

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the project on converting the decommissioned INS Vikrant into a museum;
- (b) the expenditure incurred by the Government on the project; and
- (c) the time by which the museum is likely to be opened to the general public?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): The decommissioned ship INS Vikrant has been converted as Museum Ship and opened to public since December 2001. Tenders were called for proper locating and improvements in the ship by the Government of Maharashtra. The technical bids are being evaluated by the Apex Coordination Committee (ACC) under the chairmanship of C-in-C Western Naval Command and the Chief Secretary of Maharashtra.

The details of expenditure incurred by the Government of India is Rs.17 crores on repairs and Rs.5 crores by the Government of Maharashtra.